European Commissioner for Devicolam.

63. *Mr. **G. Narayana Iyer**: Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether any of the European planters in Devicolam petitioned them in 1110 or 1111 for the appointment of a European officer as Commissioner of Devicolam ; and

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative, will they be pleased to lay a copy of the petition on the table ?

Rao Bahadur Rajyasevanirata Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai: (*a*) No such petition has been received.

(*b*) In view of the answer to part (*a*) this does not arise.

Sannads for practising as Vakils granted to retired Judicial Officers.

64. *Mr. **M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai**: Will the Government be pleased to furnish information on the following points:-

(*a*) how many Judges of the High Court have been given the *sannad* after their retirement for practising as vakils in the courts of Travancore ;

(*b*) how many other judicial officers have been given the *sannad* after their retirement for practising ;

(*c*) whether any resolutions of protest have been received from the Vakils' Associations, and, if so, what action has been taken on such resolutions ; and

(*d*) whether Judges of the High Courts in British India are permitted to practise after retirement, and, if not, why ?

Rao Bahadur Rajyasevanirata Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai : (*a*) Five.

(*b*) Five.

(*c*) A resolution protesting against retired Judges being allowed to practise in law courts has been received from the Travancore High Court Vakils' Association. The question is engaging the attention of Government.

(*d*) Government understand that permanent Judges of the Indian High Courts have to give an undertaking when appointed that they will not practise within the jurisdiction of the High Court of which they were Judges.

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai : It is given as answer to part (*d*) that "Government understand that permanent judges of the Indian High Courts have to give an undertaking when appointed that they will not practise within the jurisdiction of the High Court of which they were judges". May I know on what principle the above specified undertaking is insisted upon ?

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